

Season's Greetings and OUR Best Wishes

To the more than 17,000 friends who receive a copy of this paper every week. To those dealers who have given their support in the past year, but most of all to those gallant men who are fighting our battle and your battle in order that we may live the American Way.

LET US ALL PRAY FOR THEIR SAFE AND SPEEDY RETURN AND DEVOTE OUR BEST EFFORTS TO THIS CAUSE.

GEORGE W. LINN

Editor and Publisher Linn's Weekly Stamp News

Postal Stationery Offers Opportunity For New Discoveries ion of an envelope.

To me, one of the most interesting branches of the "United States Postal Stationery" is the entire, unused envelope and from 1893 to 1900 they were quite popular.

Having collected these envelopes from about these dates, I, of course, have quite an accumulation of them and since the issue of "Thorp's Catalogue" (a marvelous piece of work) I am more interested than ever.

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The pleasurable part of collect-ing this branch of "United States Postal Stationery" (and no U. S. collection is complete without them) is that all the defects in printing, die and paper have not vet been discovered. One does not have to have a microscope to find these defects and such unimportant things as gash on shoulder, one or more hairs in the eyebrow, or a dot on tip of nose, are

Of course, if one wants to spend Of course, if one wants to spend his time looking for the minor varieties, U. S. envelopes will keep him busy. One of the most regretable things that has happened, in connection with these envelopes, is that collectors of "cutsquares", even though they had the entire, have ruined them in more ways than one in order to obtain a cut-square, but in reality they have only a "die" left and cannot tell from what envelope it came.

By the way, "Let him who is guitless cast the first stone". I started collecting cut-squares, but soon learned the error of my ways. However, I never cut up an entire to obtain a cut-square; that should let me down a little Many. should let me down a little. Many specimen and bidder's samples have been cut square by collectors, thereby increasing the values of those left.

I have attended many Stamp Conventions, during the past ten years, and in only one or two

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JANUARY AUCTIONS IN PHILADELPHIA

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meetings have I seen these entries exhibited, but in several cases cut squares exhibited as U. S. Envelopes, when, in reality they were only dies and a small fractions of the several cases.

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The complaint, by many collectors, has been that entire envelopes are hard to handle, but I disagree with them. I have found a way to arrange them on a light cardboard 9-1/16" wide by 10-34" long. This method will take in the largest U. S. stamped envelope and at the same time will allow six cards in a regular six-page-exhibiting-frame. By this method, envelopes may be removed from card for exmay be removed from card for ex-amination and replaced without One advantage the collector of

One advantage the collector of U. S. envelopes has, is that in order to have a nice showing of them, he can confine himself to the "Nesbitt" issue, the "Reay" issue, the "Plimpton" issue or Official issues, such as the "Post Office Department" and "Wär Department".

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This is one branch of U. S. Postal Stationery that the pocket-book of moderate means can afford, but soon, like all other branches of Philately, these items will soar to prices unheard of, when collectors realize that there are no large stocks in the Country.

So, get your envelopes now.

— T. M. Westphal

Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club To Hold Donation Auction

The Third Annual Airmail Donation Auction Sale of the Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club wilf be held on Saturday, January 27, 1945, in Newark, New Jersey. Over 100 lots of high-class airmail covers will be included in this sale, the proceeds of which are used for the Organizations Bulletins. A portion of the proceeds of this sale will also be used for worthy purposes. Practically all types of airmail covers are included in this sale.

This auction is being handled by Samuel S. Goldsticker Jr., of Newark, President of the Club. Mr. G. F. Lancaster of Brooklyn, N. Y. (one of the Founders) will

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Mt. Prospect Avenue, Newark 4, New Jersey; and your list will be sent to you promptly.

Mahren/Cechy A Morava". The value is shown as 1.20 plus 8.80, thus is a stamp that sells for 10 Marks, 1.20 being for postage and the balance of 8.80 for charity.

The stamp is a very beautiful and striking one and is printed in black with the cross in red.

ALLIED MILITARY STAMPS FOR USE IN ITALY...... \$1.00 Per

These are the stamps printed in the U.S. and for use in Italy. Complete set is 9 var. from 15c to 10 Lire. We offered them two weeks ago at \$1.50. We have now received over 300 sets and have refunded 50c to those who ordered at the \$1.50 price. We are now offering these complete sets for quick sale at \$1.00 per set. Dealers or collectors, all you want at \$1.00 per set for singles or blocks, as long

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On his extensive travels to all parts of the world, the late ownparts of the world, the late owner of the 80-volume general collection which H. R. Harmer of 32 E. 57th St., New York, has been dispersing, used to go at once to the chief post office in each country and buy up to complete sheets of all current values. The Nov. 28-29 sale offered the first portion of this material for Europe only—Albania through Italy. ope only-Albania through Italy.

Some of these investments must Some of these investments must have shown a good profit. For instance, complete panes of 25c each of the 5fr, 10fr and 20fr of France's 1900-29 series, issued about 1926 when the franc was cheap, realized \$230.

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Sheets of 100 each of Germany's Frederick the Great issue, 6pf, 12pf and 25pf, with a catalogue value of \$165 and a face value of about \$11, brought \$120. A used set of three of the Danzig Innendienst issue made \$185. Some Czechoslovakia rarities brought, in some cases, 50 rarities brought, in some cases, 50 per cent over catalogue.

Beautiful Red Cross Stamp From Germany

From Mr. Chas. H. Roudebush of Norwood, Ohio, we have received a copy of a new Red Cross stamp issued by Germany for use in Czechoslovakia and Bohemia and Moravia. The stamp is illustrated herewith.



Across the top in a single line Across the top in a single line of small letters we find "GROSS-DEUTSCHES REICH". At the bottom the words "Bohmen Und Mahren/Cechy A Morava". The value is shown as 1.20 plus 8.80, thus is a stamp that sells for 10 Marks, 1.20 being for postage and the balance of 8.80 for charity

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Charles Lathrop Pack Collection At Auction By Harmer, Rooke & Co. Sets New All Time Price Records

Last week saw the disposal of the first part of the great collections of the late Charles Lathrop Pack, by Harmer Rooke and Co. Mr. Pack, in his lifetime was a truly great collector, Philately being everlastingly in his debt for the many contributions from his pen. His death, some few years ago, removed from the ranks of great collectors a man of great distinction but of such modesty that the extent of his philatelic accomplishments became known only on the presentation of his magnificant collections for sale. Within the

Four New Stamps

We are able to illustrate one of the set of four new stamps from Vatican City. These come from Cpl. N. Lindberg from Italy. First day of issue was Novem-

ber 25th, and we are able to illustrate one of the values. The other three are very similar except for different persons being pictured on each.



is a self appointed investigator or whether he works for the "Landis" of the Philatelic world, we do not know, but a week ago he wrote us with reference to a lot of stamps, Lot Number 216 offered in the Auction of the Zen-ith Stamp Company in our issue of December 7th. Mr. Mac Bride wrote this company the stamp offered was a sp spurious item and should not be offered

for sale.

Promptly, there came back to Mr. MacBride a letter from the Zenith Stamp Co., in which they enclosed the questioned item torn to small bits as evidence of their cooperation in keeping stamp auctions free of questionable material.

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limits of his collections, it is quite apparent to all philatelists that this has been the first occasion in From Valican City

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this has been the history of Philately in this country that such a glorious lot of the fine old classic issues of stamps has been presented to auction bidders. How well this exceptional opportunity was appreciated is amply demonstrated by the results of the first three sessions, held on Dec. 6th, 7th and 8th. The first session comprised Canada and Newfoundland, and was devoted almost exclusively to the first imperforate issues. The feature of this session was the celebrated mint, marginal pair of the 12p black Canada 1851 issue. This "gem of gems" sold at \$7500, to Y. Souren who purchased almost a full half of the total amount realized at this ses-

total amount realized at this session.

Of 116 lots of Canada imperforates only 20 sold at less than their datch as realized within a few dollars of the catalogue price as well as damaged and defective stamps of which there were a goodly number 25c olive green, portrait of Rafallo (Sanzio) Painter.
30c violet, portrait of Desancello, Sculptor (?).

1.25 Lira blue, portrait of Maratti, Sculptor and Architect.
10 Lira ochre, portrait of Canova, Sculptor.

The set commemorates the fourth centenary of the Pope's famous Academy of Artists in the Panthenon.

Cpl. Lindberg states that it was difficult to obtain complete sets due to speculation in Vatican City. The Postoffice only allowed 300 sets to any dealer and only four sets to any collector and one had to stand in line at the postoffice which opens at 10 A. M. but the line formed as early as 6 A. M.

Postal officials have not an anounced the number issued but rummer has it that but 40,000 complet sets were printed while the total printing reached 400,000 for the four stamps.

Few dealers outside Rome yet have any of the sets and I had to pay \$1.50 for my set.

Diogenes Mac Bride

Whether Van Dyck Mac Bride is a self appointed investigator or whether he works for the "Mether Van Dyck Mac Bride is a self appointed investigator or whether he works for the "Landis" of the Philatelic world, we do not know, but a week ago.

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trying period.

Poor indeed is the man whose heart is not touched at this time. of year and one brief bit of verse in a card from Robrt D. Eland serving with our Nevy in England, carries such a splendid message that we print it herewith that our readers may share in the message water it is not

over-optomistic. It's been a long time, well we know

Since departing our home shores, We've had a job both tough and

mean. Chucked full of irksome chores. But now a brighter look is near, And one day soon we pray, Back home we'll go with vict'ry

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ALL TIME RECORD

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cover Lot #116 at \$460. The scarce 6p perforated #13a, Lot #130, on cover sold at \$625. (cat. \$125.) to "A. F. L."

Blocks of the 5c "Beaver" #15, common in singles sold at \$80. each. The 10c black brown, on cover, at \$350. (cat. \$50.) to Sour-en. The 17c blue, imperforate, in a block of 4 sold at \$560. to Hink-

son, Lot #160.
In the Newfoundland, some were very choice and others did not meet a high standard. The 2p scarlet. Lot #210, unused but thin and with a stain sold at \$450 (cat. \$1000.) to "W" while the same and with a stain sold at \$450 (cat. \$1000.) to "W" while the same stamp superb (cat \$350.) Lot #211, sold for \$510. to Souren. Lot #229, the 8p bisected, used on cover with the 3p "triangle" sold at \$725. to Brigham, Lot #231, an outstandingly fine 1sh scarlet, unused at \$2000. (cat. \$1000.) to Souren, and Lot #232, the same, used, at \$1300. (cat. \$350.) to "A. used, at \$1300. (cat. \$350.) to "A. F.L." In the perforated issues, a block of 16 of the 5c black "seal"

Lot #264 sold for \$360, to Hinkson.
The second session, offering
Cape of Good Hope and Spain found just as keen a demand for the choice pieces, with occasional items of less quality still finding items of less quality still finding a good demand at very substantial price levels. In the Capes, Lot #297, a pair of 1p on blued paper went at \$56. to Cole. A block of eight. Lot #305 at \$180, to Souren, Lot #311, the 4p in block of 4 at \$72.50 (cat. \$28.) to Wise. In the white paper issue, the 4p bisected on cover Lot #327 went at \$420. to Souren. Lot #329, a gorgeous 6p single at \$60. (cat. \$10) to Souren. Lot #352, the 1sh dark green in

Souren. Lot #329, a gorgeous 6p single at \$60. (cat. \$10) to Souren. Lot #352, the 1sh dark green in mint block of 8 at \$320.00 to Souren. The Woodblocks were an exceptional lot, a magnificent 1p red single, Lot #362 going at \$260. (cat. \$85.) to "A.F.L." and another, Lot #368 at \$150. to Souren. Lot #370, the 1p Woodblock in a beautiful pair, at \$775. to "A.F. L.", and a block of the same, slightly thin, Lot #372 at \$1600. to a mail bid. An unused 4p #9 went at \$525. to Souren and an exceptionally choice used copy, Lot #379 at \$170 (cat. \$50.) to the same buyer. In this stamp even those with thin spots and small tears realized catalogue or more, one on cover, Lot #388 going to Souren at \$230, though this was unusually fine. The 4p dark blue shade, superb, Lot #392 went at \$390 (cat. \$200.) to Souren, and one on cover, Lot #396, at \$560. to Brigham. The famous 1p blue, error of color, used, Lot #398 and the 4p red, error, unused, Lot #400 went to Souren at \$1300. and \$24-00. respectively. These two stamps are about the finest examples in existence.

Spain proved somewhat less

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popular, as was to be expected,
but very substantial realizations but very substantial realizations prevailed throughout, particularly for pieces of choice quality. Lot #480, a superb mint single of the 12c #2 went over cat. at \$52.50 to Friedl who also bought the mint 6r #4 at \$80. cat. \$75. Space does not permit more detail of this group since a large proportion of

the lots were pieces requiring involved description.

The third session presented early issues of Argentine and Brazil. In the former, the greatest interest was shown in the stamps interest was shown in the stamps on cover, which almost invariably brought from full catalogue to several times over. Choice singles and pairs of the early imperforates found heavy competition with the very beautiful stamps realiging full catalogue or over. Even ordinary copies, without defect found very good demand at much higher levels than have prevailed in the immediate past. Half to two thirds of catalogue seemed to be a in the immediate past. Itali to two thirds of catalogue seemed to be a fair general average in the things of this quality. Even stamps of beautiful appearance but with slight defects were sold within these limits. However the relative unpopularity of this country was easily reflected by comparison.

Brazil, however, was another story entirely. The prices realized es of the early issues were nothing short of sensat-ional, and it demonstrates quite conclusively that the early imper-forate issues, now classed almost as antiquities, are esteemed to an unusual degree by discriminating philatelists. The first lot of Brazil. #800, a mint 30r "Bulls Eye" cat. \$50. went for \$200. to "H.R.H." Lot #802, the same stamp with a

I Need general collections for my extensive approval business. All countries. U.S. included, also dealers' stocks. Top cash prices paid. I must acquire a number of properties at once. For safety and higher prices sell to me and avoid the current congestion in the east. P. B. McKINNEY Elsie, Mich

thin spot went at \$50. full catalogue price, to the same buyer. A corner margin pair, Lot #815 went to "H. R. H." at \$220. and a block of four, one stamp thin. Lot #821 to the same buyer at \$410. The feature of this session, as well as the feature of the entire Pack col-lection was Lot #824. This was the composite strip of three of two 30r and one 60r unserved. The piece is unique of record and is the conclusive demonstration that more than one denomination was print ed from a single plate. Its very existence is little short of miraexistence is little short of miraculous and it stands on a par with all of the great philatelic gems of all time. This was sold to Souren, for \$6250.00. Next followed a beautiful group of the 60r, cataloguing \$10. These sold between \$40 and \$100 for perfect specimens. A pair, lot #840 went for \$145. to "H.R.H." A block of six, damaged, to the same buyer at \$450. An unused strip of six of the 90r, unused, but penmarked went to this same buyer, Lot #853, at \$900.

In the used 90r the price range as between \$95, and \$270, for was between \$95, and \$270, for choice examples, even including a few with minor defects. A beautiful pair went to "H.R.H." for \$210. even though one stamp was creased. A block of six, with defects went at \$700. to a mail bidder, and a complete sheet of 18, pen marked and with defects went at \$1600. to "H. R. H."

The 1844-46 issues ranged from full catalogue to double catalogue for choice stamps. Those with defects, however, sold at far lower levels. The 1850, small numeral issue offered a number of choice blocks, almost every lot in this group going from 90% of catalogue to as much as seven times the catalogue value. The same may be said of the 1854 to 1861 small numerals; Lots #922 and 927, being the 280r and 430r #39 and 40, in mint blocks of 4 going at \$320. and \$780. respectively, five times the catalogue value. Dom Pedro issue in blocks were also surprising, the 700r block of 4, unused reaching \$520. against a catalogue value of \$75.00.

Here, one can give only a few The 1844-46 issues ranged from

Here, one can give only a few typical lots, but these have been

chosen so as to reflect the reali-zations throughout the sale.

Further sessions, to take place
Dec. 13th, 14th and 15th will pre-sent the great Australian collec-tions, with New South Wales, New
Yorkand Oversland and Victoria Zealand, Queensland and Victoria. These comprise some of the finest collections ever put together o these grand old classics, especially Victoria, and they will be review. ed following their sale.

The three sessions thus far held realized at total of \$115,388.00 the largest amount being realized on the first day, Canada & New-foundland. This session brought \$50,361. against a listed catalogue valuation of about \$40,000.00, the largest buyer being Souren with total purchase of \$23,030.00.

The second session, Cape of Good Hope & Spain brought \$31,791.50, with Souren again the \$31,791.50, with Souren again the largest individual buyer with \$10,369.00. The third session, Argentine & Brazil realized \$33,235.50, the largest buyer being "H. R. H." with a total of \$13,573.00. These two buyers, so far have accounted for almost far, have accounted for all half of the value of the sale. almost

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NEW FRENCH ISSUES

Our engraver is apparently rushed at this season of the year for again we receive cuts too late to get into the new issue column of last week and are picturing here two French stamps that were list-ed and described in this column,





last week. The smaller stamp is the 1.50Fr. of the new issue announced as prepared in London and is to consist of several values. The other is the new 20Fr. stamp, a very beautiful pictorial.

GUTTER SNIPERS PROVE VERY INTERESTING ITEMS

The above is the name applied to defectively issued U. S. stamps by some who have made collec-tions of such items. Right now we have a letter from Charles P. Gawlas of Detroit in which he describes a sheet of the 3c Presidential stamp which is gummed only across the top two rows of stamps, the balance of the sheet

stamps, the balance of the sheet being without gum.

From another collector also comes a letter describing a sheet of 3c stamps which has a large crease running diagonally across the sheet, this making a large white gutter through the sheet when flattened out.

Neither of these varieties attract

Neither of these varieties attract interest from many collectors al-though the latter item is much the better of the two and will bring a premium from some who are interested. The partly gum-med sheet is of no interest as anyone can wash the gum off of some of the stamps in any sheet and have a similar item.

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St. Denis. Value is in upper right hand corner. On the bot-tom is "ST. DENIS VIII eme CENTENAIRE."

FRANCE PICTORIAL—In the November 9th issue, I chronicled a 15fr. brown Chateau of Chenonceaux. I have just seen the same design in a 25 franc value. Color is grey-black. FRANCE—The 1F20 Petain stamp

used on printed government cards.

-Elmer Stuart

ITALY—Overprints. The 1 lira, 1L.75, 2L. and 3L.70 of the 1929 issue have been unoffocially overprinted "Florence Welcomes the Allies 11-8-1944." MEXICO-Postage & Air Mail.

Two new stamps have made their appearance, marking the Third Book Fair and National Exposition of Periodicals, the Cinema and Radio, held during October. The 12c., brown, por-trays Dr. Juan Maria de Cas-torena Ursuay Goyeneche, foun-





der of the first Mexican periodical. The 25c., green air mail shows a microphone beside an open book on which "Historia de Mexico" is printed. The date appears on both stamps.

PERU—Commemoratives. A set of stamps portraying Samuel F. B. Morse, have just been issued. Telegraph poles and wires are in the background and the his-



toric message "What Hath God Wrought" in Spanish. All Wrought" in Spanish. All stamps are of the same design printed by the American Bank Note Co. by photogravure. The values and quantities are: 15c., blue (500,000); 30c. olive (500,000). The 45c., has not arrived as yet, but 1,000,000 were to be printed. -N. Y. Sun

RUSSIA — Commemoratives. A new set of three war stamps. The 30k., dark green shows an unit firing upon the artillery



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advancing enemy, with a por-trait of an unidentified hero. One of the 60k. values, in purple One of the 60k, values, in purple depicts another hero sacrificing himself by standing in front of snow-covered pillbox while his comrades attack under this protection. The other 60k., blue, shows a soldier about to destroy a group of Nazis with a grenade as they try to capture him in a building.

—John Ross

—John Ross
MERRY CHRISTMAS—To all of
you, and my Best Wishes for
the Holiday Season.
JOSEPH 1



Two more flag stamps and two commemoratives were withdrawn from sale at the Philatelic from sale at the Philatelic Agency at the close of business

These are the Norway and France Flags and the 3c State-hood issue of 1939 and the 3c 13th Amendment issue of 1940.

Following are plate numbers assigned to new plates during the month of November. All are Electric Eye Plates of 400 subjects for regular sheets of 700 stamps.

Win The War, 3c, plates number 23185 to 23192 inclusive and Numbers 23195 to 23198 inclusive. For the current 3c Presidential

stamp, plates number 23193-4 and 23199 to 23202 inclusive.

Following is a list of plates sent to press for printing during the month of November. With the exception of the 13c Special Delivery listed below, all are 400 subject electric eye plates. The Special Delivery is a 200 subject plate of the same type.

Three cent presidential, plates number 23056-7.
Three cent Win The War, plates number 23076-23177-8 and 23184.
For the 13c Special Delivery, plates number 23172-3.



SAGUEL C. SELDSTICKER, JR. (Dept Ed.)

Since writing last week's column Since writing last week's column I have had the opportunity to see one of the covers mailed on the occasion of the Airport Dedication at Morristown, N. J. on November 12, 1944. This cover is postmarked at 4-PM and since it is on a particle on yellow there is no of marked at 4-PM and since it is on a patriotic envelope there is no official cachet applied to it. However, I understand that a special cachet was applied to a small portion of the covers mailed. According to the unofficial reports I have, there were approximately 200 covers mailed at this event. have, there were approximate 200 covers mailed at this event.

If any readers know of any covers mailed on the occasion of

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uled to have been dedicated on these dates; but up to the present time no covers have been known to exist from these events. If any readers have any covers from these events, I would appreciate it very much if they could send them to me for my inspection, so I can report the covers to the Official Catalogue Committee. If they are not shown to, or proper-ly reported to, the catalogue com-mittee, then they will not be of-

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627	.75	703	.18	752-71_	8.50	853	.17	914	.25	C25b	.4
628	2.15	704-15_	4.65	772	.17	854	.20	915	.25	C36	.54
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AN AMERICAN EXPERT COMMITTEE

It seems like whenever it rains, it pours and we don't mean salt. What tempts us to write under the above heading this week when we might better be thinking of Christmas and the holdiays is the receipt



of a few letters which show evidence of a need for some kind of a committee in the stamp collecting world and then on top of this we have just read a part of the article by Dr. Carroll Chase printed in the handsome booklet caller Harmer's Stamp Hints. Dr. Chase heads this article. "The Crying Need for an American Expert Committee." We can quite agree with him for the need of such a committee but whether our idea and his idea as to the format of this committee would be the same is a question we can not answer for Dr. Chase is not very explicit on that point. We can state our opin-ion however and are ready to stand on that statement. Let us look at the one great body of this George W. Linn sort that is known to all the Royal Philatelic Society of London. This body or committee might well be taken as a

model for any such committee as might be formed in America.

It would not be proper that the committee should function except as representing some large collectors group. Nothing better than the Collectors Club comes to our mind and thus the expert Committee would or should be known as the Collectors Club Expert Committee. The sole reason and object for this is to place the entire responsibility for the actions and opinions of the Committee on a body or club rather than on an individual. Individuals die as we all know, strong clubs and societies exist for generations after, as is also a fact, thus they have a reputation to guard and maintain not only through a period of ones ordinary span of life, but for years after and with such a thought m mind, the Club would be zealous of the membership of any such committee which might represent the club.

It is a well known fact that there are some very unpleasant stories that could be printed about men who have held a very prominent name in the stamp world of the past few years. Some of these stories are true and when we look back and review the matters we tempted to believe that these men carried on in a manner that such as the Collectors Club of New York would sanction provided that the name of the club was to be associated closely with these questionable gentlemen.

It is for this reason, that any Expert Committee if it is to merit the faith of the collector public, must be beyond reproach.

Just how the Committee would operate, how it would function and what it would be paid is a matter that concerns only those wealthy collectors who would have to pay the bills for few average

collectors would ever have need for it. Naturally the work of an expert committee would be concerned mostly with rare stamps, but as Dr. Chase says, much of a cheaper

nature that is spurious is being offered daily.

In our estimation, it would be a much simpler job to police this

latter class of material than to handle rare items.

Through the American Stamp Dealers Association, there must be known many facts as regards cheaper stamps of a spurious nature. This Association should list such items, announce that in the future, they will give to the Philatelic Press lists of such stamps and names of any dealers who offer the same for sale. There is probably no other way that this sort of business can be cured.

JUST A SINGLE EXAMPLE

A Philadelphia subscriber writes about a dealer who offered mint copies of the 5c Louisiana Purchase stamp at the recent SEPAD Bourse, copies that were reperforated. It was evident that the stamps had been reperforated simply because there was a colored guide line at the left edge of the stamp. These stamps come in sheets with a straight edge at left or right and with a colored guide line. There are colored guide lines running horizontally through the sheets and perforated, but sheets were not with vertical guide line and per-

When the dealer had his attention called to this stamp he merely shrugged his shoulders and said "he didn't know." The stamps were laid aside and other copies offered the prospective buyer. The spurious perforated copies will of course be sold to some collector who like the dealer "didn't know."

There is but one way to cure these evils. It may be a bit drastic but since no other way will work, we urge the adoption of the only real method.

postage stamp, as this stamp has been manipulated is a case that would attract the interest and attention of the F. B. I. Why not report such things to this body. Certainly a few such course have been manipulated in a case that would attract the interest and attention of the F. B. I. Why not report such things to this body. Certainly a few such course have been manipulated in a case that by the F. B. I. might conceiveably scare some dealers from playing with such material in the future. Another way to handle such cases is to publish the names of dealers who offer such material. That too is drastic, but it will get results. Now if collectors and dealers want honest and fair dealing in the stamp business, there is a way to get it, but of course if they do not want that kind of dealing we can "set the buyer beware."

ANOTHER CASE

In this instance a lengthy letter came from a man who had bought several lots at a recent auction. He griped about most of them, spoke highly of a few and wound up by asking us what could be done about such auction dealers. Our reply was that the dealer asked that complaints about any unsatisfactory lots be made in three days. We told the man that if ne had returned the material as provided and that then if the dealer did not adjust the matter to his satisfaction, he would have room for complaint. Otherwise we saw no claim on his part.



MERRY CHRISTMAS-To all of the readers of this column . to a very grand couple, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Linn, to their Mrs. George W. Linn, to their daughter Hazel and their grand-children . . . to George's mother in Columbus. Merry Christmas to all the men and women in the armed forces and I join you in prayer that at this time next year they'll all be home again. again.

Merry Xmas to H. E. Harris & Co., and to dear, old, loveable W. F. "Hoppy" Hopkins in Bostoto Fred Farnham in Detroit and Earl Apfelbaum and Sare and Dolores Klein in Philadelphia; to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Herst, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Clark, my Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Clark, my good friends the Tessmers in New York. Yultetide greetings to Frank Mason and Albert Kunze in Washington; Larry Moltz in Baltimore, Arthur King Clark in Pittsburgh, George Herzog and H. R. Harmer in New York, Charles Charmatz in Sylvania, Ohio; to K. Bileski in Winnepeg and to the many kind readers who have written kind readers who have written letters to this column; to all the Case Pollsters and a Very Merry, Merry Christmas to our own Tiny Tim (in person and not a motion picture) Uncle Harry Weiss. love Christmas. I love

I love Christmas. I love it whether it snows or not. I love it all the more when there are youngsters in the house. I think it's the most wonderful season of the year. I think it's warm and glowing and grand. Ever since I was old enough to know what Santa Claus meant, down through the years, nothing has been so consistantly beautiful to me as Christmas Day. All of the thrills of weeks of shopping and searching for the proper gift culminates in one beautiful day of childrens early morning shrieks of delight as they open one toy after another early morning shrieks of delight as they open one toy after another with exclamations of "Oh, just what I wanted!" and as the day segues into the adults opening their gifts with the same pharse of "Just what I wanted" and the Christmas dinner and the lighted candles and cheery. Christmas candles and cheery Christmas trees and the flowing bowl, the whole thing has an appeal to me that cannot be topped by any other holiday.

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This is a short column and without any talk of stamps. The only chance I have to wish you a Happy New Year is right now, because next week this column will contain the names of winners of the content and the large for of the contest, and the plans for 1945 and in what directions I have pointed my sights in order to show up the petty phases of philately which must be cleaned up if the hobby is to remain healthy. healthy.

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value of the German mark, the
Austrian crown and some other
European currencies following
World War I are reported to be
planning a repetition of their investments, or speculations (take
your choice) when the proper
time comes, six months, one or
two years, after the peace, ending
the present conflict.

The government at Washington,
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The government at washington, however, may have something to say about speculation in foreign exchange and the international bank may adopt rules that will prevent a repetition of what occurred after World War I.

Those who expect to profit by the wide fluctuations in foreign exchange that are certain to come would do well to start immediately with a study of the markets and it is advisable that they relentlessly continue the study.

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As was done following the close of World War I, stamp dealers of continental Europe are certain to inaugurate advertising campaigns in the philatelic press of the United States. Patrons in this county would do well to pick the right dealer. county would do well to pick the right dealer. Bargains never before heard of

right dealer.

Bargains never before heard of were offered by certain stamp dealers in Germany and Austria in that period between 1919 and 1921. With the German mark valued at only a fraction of the American dollar in November of 1921 a Middle-Western stamp dealer sent \$2.64 in United States funds to a dealer in stamps and philatelic supplies and who was then located in Cologne, Germany. In due course the Mid-Westerner received a notice from New York to the effect that two packages addressed to him and posted at Cologne where being held for customs duty amounting to approximately \$2. He sent the amount to New York and a few days later received the packages. They contained four stamp albums of excellent quality. They were handsomely bound and the pages were on a par with those which today in this country cost around \$5 each. In addition to the pages in the albums there were included in the packages 400 pages to match. The Middle-Western dealer naturally was more than pleased with his purchase and regretted that he had not sent a reed with his purchase and regret-ted that he had not sent a re-mittance of \$25 or more. Now comes the joker. A short

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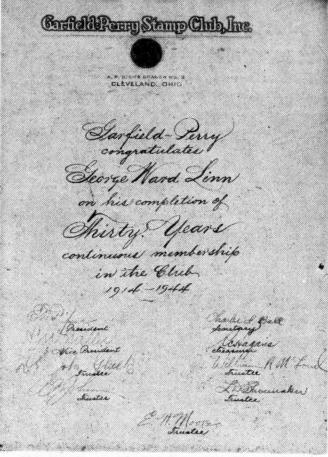
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a letter from the Cologne dealer in which the latter sought to convince the buyer of the albums and pages that the seller was entitled to a further remittance. Here is what had occurred within a period of a few days.

In February, 1921, there was a rise in the value of the German mark. This sudden change for the better in the mark convinced the Cologne dealer that he was entitled to a further remittance. Being fair minded, the Mid-Western dealer sent the amount claimed. Subsequently there was a rapid decline in the value of the German mark. In August of 1922 it was quoted at 1,134.56 to the American dollar. The drop continued and in December of 1922 the mark was worth only 7,183.10 compared with the United States dollar. In September of 1923 the mark had fallen to 98,860,000,000 compared to the American dollar. Three months later in December of 1923, the value of the German mark had dwindled to 4,200,000,000,000,000 compared with the dollar.

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A similar situation had developed in connection with the Austrian crown and the other monetary systems of Central European countries.

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Soldier carrying flag, Wording—Safely guard our sacred birthright (B), double line ruled border (R).

Same as #3 except border of stars in (R & B). Also has copyright line.

right line.

Large V, (R). Wording—Unity here, Victory Over there, (B). Flag on staff (R & B). Wording—Freedom, Ours to preserve

etc. (B).

(a) Same without copyright line.

Wording—1944 for Victory (R) superimposed on large V (R). Star and victory symbol (R). Wording—On with Eisenhower etc. (B).

Large spread eagle (R). Wording-Above all in Peace or War.

Mailman (B) Wording—Greetings from home folks, (R).

(a) As #10 without copyright C.

Hitler with hand to face. Wording—1944—The Greatest Blow etc. (R)

(a) As #11 printed in (B1)
Uncle Sam against background of guns, tanks, etc. WordingThe Axis Powers shall learn etc. (B). Three stars below (R). Spread eagle with shield on chest (Bn) Wording—From foreign hills etc. (B)

(a) As #13 on air mail envelope, border (R & B)
Same as #13 without eagle. Space for paste-on picture.
(a) As #14 on air mail envelope, border (R & B).

Battleships before background of clouds and stars (B) Wording
—By the old love we'll receive them etc. (G).

Army jeep in olive green. Wording-Gas, flames and bombs etc. (B).

Lightning from cloud with stars. Wording-Who says we can't?

(O) Defeat the so called Super Race in 1944. (B1). "YOU" above pointing hand (R). Wording—Tojo—and your leaders etc. (B1).

Coiled rattlesnake (Bn) Wording-Crushed by the Powers

Wording—Want me for your Pin-up Girl? issued with space blank for paste-on picture of favorite pin-up girl (G).

Heads of soldiers within double line box. Wording—To Berlin and Tokyo etc. (B) within border of stars (YG).

Rear view of horse (Bn) Wording—Hitler, they thought when

(a) As #22 except horse (B1) and wording (R). Church and churchyard (O) Wording, same as #13 (B1).

Same as #23 with picture omitted, for paste on picture. Statue of Liberty (b). Wording—Unity here Victory there (O).

Liberty Bell (Bn). Wording—For American Liberty etc. (B). Flag, bugler, shower of stars (B). Wording. Always victorious (R).

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list of known stamps which honor the Boy Scouts. Our efforts have uncovered but Our efforts have uncovered but four countries which we can list unless we want to include those two stamps from the Cape of Good Hope which picture General Baden-Powell, who inaugurated the Boy Scout movement in 1908.

These two stamps are also most unique among postage stamps as they are listed as "Photographic Print" by Scott and look more like a Blue Print. Scott Numbers 179 and 180.

As for stamps picturing Scouts

As for stamps picturing Scouts or Scout activities we find the following issues.

DUTCH INDIES—Two stamps issued for commemoration of the Boy Scout World Jamboree which was held in the Natherlands Each was held in the Netherlands, Each was neid in the Neuterlands, Each stamp had a postal value and an added value or surtax and this surtax was for the benefit of the local scouts association, "De Padrindersbound".

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B30 7½c plus 2½c dark olive brown, at 35c mint or used.

B31 12½c plus 2½c rose carmine, 40c mint or used.

HUNGARY—T wo attractive stamps were issued honoring Boy stamps were issued nonoring Boy Scouts but each is a part of a set of several stamps. The first is from a set of Sports issues and the latter from a set dedicated to

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307 6c red brown and black, "Assembly", 12c mint and 5 used. 308 12½c blue and black, "Hermes", 25c mint and 12c used. ROUMANIA—The greatest number of Boy Scout stamps have been issued by Roumania five.

been issued by Roumania, five different sets in all. We list them herewith.

B26 1L plus 1L carmine rose, Boy Scouts in Camp 3c mint or used.

2L plus 2L deep green, "The Rescue", 6c mint or used.

B28 3L plus 3L ultramarine,
Swearing in a Tenderfoot, 9c mint

or used. B29 4L plus 4L olive gray, Prince Nicholas, Chief Scout. 12c

mint or used.

B30 6L plus 6L red brown,
King Carol II in Scouts Uniform,

18c mint or used.
The second set is the Boy Scout
Jamboree issue of 1932.
B31, 25b plus 25b peacock

B31, 25b plus 25b peacock green, 30c mint or used. B32, 50b plus 50b bright blue, 40c mint or used. B33, 1L plus 1L olive green, 40c

mint or used. B34, 2L plus 2L orange red, 75c

mint or used.

B35, 3L plus 3L prussian blue,
\$1.00 mint or used.

B36, 6L plus 6L black brown, \$1.50 mint or used. The third Roumania set is a

surcharged one and is listed as the Boy Scout Mamaia Jamboree Issue. Also of six values as fol-

25b plus 25b peacock

B44, 25b plus 25b peacock green, 25c mint or used. B45, 50b plus 50b bright blue, 25c mint or used. B46, 1L plus 1L olive green, 25c mint or used. B47, 2L plus 2L orange red, 25c

mint or used.

B48, 3L plus 3L Prussian blue,
30c mint or used.
B49, 6L plus 6L black brown,
40c mint or used.

40c mint or used.

Next comes a set of five stamps issued in 1935, to commemorate the fifth anniversary of the accession of King Carol II and a National Sports meeting held on June 8th. The surtax was for aid of the Boy Scout organization.

B50, 25b olive black, 10c mint or used.

or used.
B51, 1L violet, 75c mint or used. B52, 2L green, 75c mint or used. B53, 6L plus 1L red brown, 75c

mint or used.

B54, 10L plus 2L dark ultramarine, 75c mint or used.

The last of the Boy Scout stamps of Roumania is the issue of 1936 listed as Boy Scout Jamboree Issue. A set of three varieties as follows:

B63, 1L plus 1L bright blue, 30c mint or used.

mint or used. B64, 3L plus 3L olive gray, 30c

mint or used.

mint or used.

B65, 6L plus 6L carmine rose, 50c mint or used.

This, so far as we are able to give it is a complete list of Boy Scout stamps. If others are known we will be glad to list them.

Might the thought not come to any scoutmaster or to anyone who may have an opportunity to speak before a group of Boy Scouts, that a collection of these few stamps, nicely mounted on a page and with the facts concerning them at nicely mounted on a page and with the facts concerning them at hand, that they would make a splendid topic for a short talk and might be the means of interesting some of the boys in our hobby.

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